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March 3, 2012

Ms. Jennifer Burnett Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group 7500 Security Boulevard Mail Stop: S2-14-26 Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

Reference: Application for the Balancing Incentive Program Grant

Dear Ms. Burnett:

Please accept this letter of intent to apply for the Balancing Incentive Program from the Georgia Department of Community Health, which serves as the State Medicaid Agency for Georgia.

Georgia's Medicaid Agency will serve as the lead organization for the project, titled Georgia's Balancing Incentives Project. Information regarding primary contact information for the Project is as follows:

Principal Investigator: Catherine Ivy
Contact Person: \*Catherine Ivy

Amount of Funding Requested: \$19,086,355 annually

Administered By: Aging and Special Populations Section,

Division of Medicaid

Partnering Organizations: Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and

Developmental Disabilities

Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of

Aging Services Georgia Council on Aging

Georgia Council on Aging

Georgia Association of Area Agencies on Aging

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<sup>\*</sup> A permanent Project Director will be assigned within the first six months of program implementation.

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Attached to this cover letter please find a Project Abstract and Profile, preliminary Work Plan, letters of endorsement, proposed budget and the application narrative. Thank you for the opportunity to apply for this enhanced federal match for Georgia's community based programs, thus allowing Georgia to continue to expand community-based care as an alternative and compliment to institutional care.

Sincerely, /s/ Jerry Dubberly, Director Division of Medicaid

## Attachments:

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